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SUBJ: IMCO HEADQUARTERS FACILITIES

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1. PER REF B, WE MET WITH FCO UN DEPARTMENT CHIEF MAXEY, APRIL 8. MAXEY ASSURED US FCO HAD BEEN FOLLOWING IMCO HEADQUARTERS FACILITY NEGOTIATIONS CLOSELY AND THAT DECISION HAD BEEN MADE IN WHITEHALL THAT IMCO HEADQUARTERS SHOULD REMAIN IN LONDON AND THAT ARRANGEMENTS SATISFACTORY TO IMCO WILL BE WORKED OUT TO ENSURE THIS RESULT.

2. MAXEY SAID DEPARTMENT OF TRADE HAS COMPLETE AUTHORITY TO NEGOTIATE TERMS OF UK SUPPORT FOR NEW IMCO FACILITIES SUBJECT TO FINAL TREASURY AND OTHER UK GOVERNMENT APPROVAL. IN THIS REGARD, HE SAID HE UNDERSTOOD UK NEGOTIATOR (MCQUEEN) HAD IN LAST WEEK PROPOSED TO IMCO SECGEN (SECGEN PRESENTLY OUT OF COUNTRY), THAT IN LIEU OF PREVIOUS UNACCEPTABLE LOAN OFFER, UK GOVERNMENT WOULD EITHER (A) BUILD NEW HEADQUARTERS FACILITIES (OR CONTRACT WITH PRIVATE CONTRACTOR TO BUILD THEM) AND RENT TO IMCO ON 80/20 RENTAL SPLIT AS AT PRESENT; OR
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(B) PROVIDE FREE SITE AND THEN LOAN OF 50 PERCENT OR SO

TOWARD COST OF BUILDING; OR (C) SOME COMBINATION OF ABOVE. SINCE HE UNDERSTOOD THAT EITHER OF THESE ALTERNATIVES WOULD, IN PRINCIPLE, LIKELY BE ACCEPTABLE TO IMCO, HE WAS UNDER IMPRESSION THAT EXCEPT FOR DETAILS OF OFFERS TO BE NEGOTIATED, PROBLEM WAS, IF NOT LARGELY RESOLVED, AT LEAST WELL ON ROAD TO RESOLUTION.

3. IN SUBSEQUENT MEETING WITH MCQUEEN (APRIL 9), HE ADOPTED MORE RESERVED, CAUTIOUS APPROACH CHARACTERISTIC OF HIS PAST STANCE AND SAID THAT PROPOSALS MADE TO HIM BY SEC GEN SRIVASTAVA WHICH HE UNDERSTOOD REPRESENTED GENERAL VIEWS OF THE AD HOC WORKING GROUP AND IMCO WERE BEING PUT THIS WEEK TO UK MINISTRIES (TREASURY, ENVIRONMENT, TRADE) FOR ACCEPTANCE. THESE PROPOSALS WERE IDENTICAL TO THOSE REPORTED ABOVE THAT FCO SAID UK WAS WILLING TO ENTERTAIN AND HAD MADE TO SRIVASTAVA.

4. COMMENT: BASED ON FOREGOING DISCUSSIONS, APPEARS THAT UK GOVERNMENT LIKELY TO PROPOSE TO WORKING GROUP THROUGH SEC GEN ALTERNATIVES (A), (B), OR (C) ABOVE TO TAKE PLACE OF WHAT UK NOW ACCEPTS WAS CLEARLY UNACCEPTABLE LOAN OFFER ORIGINALLY MADE.

5. FROM COMMENTS OF IMCO SECRETARIAT AND MCQUEEN, IT SEEMS LIKELY WG WILL MEET AGAIN ABOUT 15 APRIL TO CONSIDER NEW UK PROPOSALS.

6. MCQUEEN SAID HE UNDERSTANDS SEC GEN NOW WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO PUT FIRM OFFER BEFORE NEXT COUNCIL, HAVE COUNCIL ACCEPT, AND THEN PROCEED IMMEDIATELY ON COUNCIL DECISION TO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS TO OBTAIN SITE; COUNCIL DECISION WOULD BE PRESENTED TO ASSEMBLY FOR ACCEPTANCE. UK APPARENTLY ACCEPTS THIS TIMETABLE SINCE IT WOULD PREFER TO HAVE FINAL DECISION MADE IN COUNCIL RATHER THAN

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ASSEMBLY AS IT FEARS ASSEMBLY MIGHT BE LESS RESPONSIBLE THAN COUNCIL IN DECIDING ON FINAL SIZE OF NEW HEADQUARTERS, LANGUAGE FACILITIES TO BE INCLUDED AND OTHER COST INFLATING ADDITIONS.

7. MCQUEEN POINTED OUT THAT IF ALTERNATIVE (A) ABOVE WERE TO BE SOLUTION ADOPTED BY UK MINISTRIES, THEN UK WOULD PAY 80 PERCENT OF RENTAL AS UNDER PRESENT HQ AGREEMENT. UNDER EITHER ALTERNATIVE, COST OF SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS OF IMCO (PHONE SYSTEM, FURNISHINGS, SIMULTANEOUS INTERPRETATION SYSTEM, ETC.) IN NEW BUILDING WOULD NOT BE COVERED BY UK BUT WOULD BE BORNE BY ORGANIZATION AS WAS CASE WHEN IMCO MOVED TO PRESENT HEADQUARTERS. (IN THAT CASE COST OF THESE INSTALLATIONS, FURNISHINGS, ETC. COVERED BY LOANS FROM MEMBER GOVERNMENTS OTHER THAN UK.)

8. COMMENT: UK SEEMS TO HAVE GOTTEN MESSAGE THAT TO KEEP IMCO IN LONDON MORE GENEROUS GESTURE THAN ORIGINAL LOAN PROPOSED WAS NEEDED. FCO IS CLEARLY RELAXED ABOUT PROBLEM AND SEEMS CONVINCED THAT WHATEVER IS NECESSARY WILL BE DONE TO RETAIN HQS IN LONDON. MCQUEEN AND FCO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BOTH APPEAR CLEARLY TO RECOGNIZE DESIRABILITY OF UK MAKING SATISFACTORY OFFER WHICH CAN BE ACCEPTED BY COUNCIL IN JUNE TO AVOID POSSIBILITY THAT OTHER MEMBERS WILL COME UP WITH OFFER THAN CAN NOT BE REFUSED. MCQUEEN STILL HOLDING CARDS CLOSE TO CHEST, BUT WE EXPECT PROPOSAL HE WILL PUT TO SEC GEN WILL BE IN LINE WITH THOSE FCO CONSIDERS ALREADY AGREED BY UK GOVERNMENT. ASSUMING TERMS OF UK PROPOSALS UNDER EITHER (A) OR (B) ABOVE ARE REASONABLE, IT WOULD SEEM WE AND OTHERS COULD SUPPORT THEM AS IN KEEPING WITH EITHER PRESENT UK/IMCO SPLIT OF RENTAL PAYMENTS OR WITH ARRANGEMENTS OFFERED BY HOST GOVERNMENTS OF OTHER UN AGENCIES IN RECENT YEARS.

9. ACTION: AT THIS POINT WE PROPOSE THAT FURTHER APPRO-
ACHES TO OTHER UK AGENCIES BY EMBASSY BE DEFERRED UNTIL
WE SEE WHAT UK PROPOSES AT NEXT WORKING GROUP MEETING.

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